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Reply to Office Action of February 1, 2007

Remarks

In the Office Action dated February 1, 2007, the Examiner rejected claims 1-4,

7-9, 17-19, 22-28, 31-33, 41-43 and 46-48 under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being obvious over de

Korte, et al. in view of the U.S. Patent No. 6,165,128. The Examiner indicated that claims

5 and 6, 20-21, 29-30 and 44-45 were objected to but would be allowable if rewritten in

independent form. The Examiner allowed claims 10-16 and 34-40. By this Amendment,

Applicants' Attorney has amended each of the independent claims that were previously rejected

to incorporate subject matter of the objected to claims together with the subject matter of any

intervening claims.

Consequently, in view of the above and in the absence of better art, Applicants'

Attorney respectfully submits the application is in condition for allowance which allowance is

respectfully requested.

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